

AN ACT

relating to certain information provided to prospective adoptive parents by the Department of Family and Protective Services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 162, Family Code, is amended by adding Section 162.0086 to read as follows:

Sec. 162.0086. INFORMATION REGARDING SIBLING ACCESS.

(a) The Department of Family and Protective Services shall provide information to each person seeking to adopt a child placed for adoption by the department regarding the right of a child's sibling to file a suit for access to the child under Sections 102.0045 and 153.551.

(b) The department may provide the information required under Subsection (a) on any form or application provided to prospective adoptive parents.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

S.B. No. 948

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 948 passed the Senate on April 19, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 948 passed the House on May 24, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 146, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor